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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of permit applications; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: We must receive any written comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Send written comments by U.S. mail to the Regional Director, Attn:

Lisa Mandell, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 5600 American Blvd.

West, Suite 990, Bloomington, MN 55437-1458; or by electronic mail to

permitsR3ES@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Mandell, (612) 713-5343.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

We invite public comment on the following permit applications for certain

activities with endangered species authorized by section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16

U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and our regulations governing the taking of endangered species in

the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17. Submit your written data,

comments, or request for a copy of the complete application to the address shown in

ADDRESSES.

Permit Applications

Permit Application Number: TE98032A

Applicant: James E. Gardner, Jefferson City, MO.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats (Myotis

sodalis), Gray bats (Myotis grisescens), and Ozark big-eared bats (Corynorhinus

townsendii ingens) throughout the States of Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Tennessee. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE38769A

Applicant: Sarah A. Bradley, Mark Twain National Forest, Salem, MO.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats within the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98039A

Applicant: Kevin J. Roe, Iowa State University, Ames, IA.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, sample, and collect) the Iowa Pleistocene Snail (*Discus maccklintocki*) within Iowa and Illinois. The proposed scientific research is for the conservation and recovery of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE77530A

Applicant: Douglas J. Kapusinski, Cleveland, OH.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release) the following mussels within the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Wisconsin:

Dwarf wedgemussel Alasmidonta heterodon
Spectaclecase Cumberlandia monodonta
Fanshell Cyprogenia stegaria

Purple Catspaw Epioblasma obliquata obliquata

White Catspaw Epioblasma obliquata perobliqua
Northern riffleshell Epioblasma torulosa rangiana
Tubercled blossom Epioblasma torulosa torulosa

Snuffbox Epioblasma triquetra
Cracking pearlymussel Hemistena lata
Pink mucket Lampsilis abrupta
Higgins eye pearlymussel Lampsilis higginsii
Scaleshell Leptodea leptodon

Ring pink Obovaria retusa

Plethobasus cicatricosus White wartyback Plethobasus cooperianus Orangefoot pimpleback Plethobasus cyphyus Sheepnose Pleurobema clava Clubshell Pleurobema collina James spinymussel Pleurobema plenum Rough pigtoe Potamilus capax Fat pocketbook Quadrula fragosa Winged mapleleaf Villosa fabalis Rayed bean

Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE207178

Applicant: Amy L. Halsall, Aurora, IL.

The applicant requests a renewed permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats within the States of Illinois and Indiana. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98057A

Applicant: Lynda M. Mills, Festus, MO.

The applicant requests a renewed permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and Gray bats within the State of Missouri. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE181256

Applicant: Lewis Environmental Consulting, LLC, Murray, KY.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add the rabbitsfoot mussel (Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica) to the list of species covered under the permit and to include authorization to work within the State of Michigan. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival and recovery of mussel species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98063A

Applicant: Kathryn M. Womack, Columbia, MO.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats within the State of Missouri. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE207526

Applicant: Columbia Environmental Research Center, U.S. Geological Survey,

Columbia, MO.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, sample, release; capture and hold) Pallid Sturgeon (Scaphirhyncus albus) within the Missouri River and

Middle Mississippi River. Proposed research activities are for the conservation and recovery of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE135297

Applicant: Saint Louis Zoo, St. Louis, MO.

The applicant requests a permit renewal and amendment to take (capture and release; capture and hold) American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) within the States of Missouri and Arkansas, and at the Zoo facility in St. Louis, MO. Proposed activities are for the propagation and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE38789A

Applicant: BHE Environmental, Inc., Cincinnati, OH.

The applicant requests a permit renewal and amendment to take (capture and release) the following mammal, mussel and fish species:

Bat, Gray

Bat, Indiana

Myotis grisescens

Myotis sodalis

Pocketbook, Ouachita rock

Arkansia wheeleri

Bean, rayed

Villosa fabalis

Catspaw, white (pearlymussel) Epioblasma obliquata perobliqua

Higgins eye (pearlymussel)

Mapleleaf, winged

Mussel, scaleshell

Mussel, sheepnose

Mussel, snuffbox

Lampsilis higginsii

Quadrula fragosa

Leptodea leptodon

Plethobasus cyphyus

Epioblasma triquetra

Pearlymussel, Curtis

Purple cat's paw pearlymussel

Spectaclecase (mussel)

Acornshell, southern

Bankclimber, purple (mussel)

Bean, Choctaw

Epioblasma obliquata obliquata

Cumberlandia monodonta

Epioblasma othcaloogensis

Elliptoideus sloatianus

Villosa choctawensis

Villosa trabalis

Blossom, green (pearlymussel) Epioblasma torulosa gubernaculum

Blossom, tubercled (pearlymussel) Epioblasma torulosa torulosa

Blossom, turgid (pearlymussel) Epioblasma turgidula

Blossom, yellow (pearlymussel) Epioblasma florentina florentina

Epioblasma metastriata

Clubshell, black Pleurobema curtum
Clubshell, ovate Pleurobema perovatum
Clubshell, southern Pleurobema decisum
Combshell, Cumberlandian Epioblasma brevidens
Combshell, southern Epioblasma penita

Combshell, upland

Ebonyshell, round

Elktoe, Appalachian

Elltoe, Combodord

Alasmidonta raveneliana

Elktoe, Cumberland Alasmidonta atropurpurea
Fanshell Cyprogenia stegaria

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Fatmucket, Arkansas Lampsilis powellii

Heelsplitter, Alabama (=inflated)

Heelsplitter, Carolina

Kidneyshell, southern

Kidneyshell, triangular

Lampmussel, Alabama

Lilliput, pale (pearlymussel)

Potamilus inflatus

Lasmigona decorata

Ptychobranchus jonesi

Ptychobranchus greenii

Lampsilis virescens

Toxolasma cylindrellus

Moccasinshell, AlabamaMedionidus acutissimusMoccasinshell, CoosaMedionidus parvulusMoccasinshell, GulfMedionidus penicillatus

Moccasinshell, Ochlockonee *Medionidus simpsonianus*Monkeyface, Cumberland

(pearlymussel)

Mucket, orangenacre

Quadrula intermedia

Lampsilis perovalis

Mucket, pink (pearlymussel)

Mussel, oyster

Lampsilis abrupta

Epioblasma capsaeformis

Pearlshell, Alabama Margaritifera marrianae
Pearlshell, Louisiana Margaritifera hembeli

Pearlymussel, birdwing

Pearlymussel, cracking

Pearlymussel, dromedary

Pearlymussel, littlewing

Pegias fabula

Pigtoe, Cumberland
Pigtoe, dark
Pigtoe, dark
Pigtoe, finerayed
Pigtoe, flat
Pigtoe, flat
Pigtoe, fuzzy
Pigtoe, Georgia
Pleurobema strodeanum
Pigtoe, Georgia
Pleurobema hanleyianum

Pigtoe, heavy Pleurobema taitianum

Pigtoe, narrow
Pigtoe, oval
Pigtoe, rough
Pigtoe, shiny
Pusconaia escambia
Pleurobema pyriforme
Pleurobema plenum
Pigtoe, shiny
Pusconaia cor

Pigtoe, southern Pleurobema georgianum

Pigtoe, tapered Fusconaia burkei

Pimpleback, orangefoot (pearlymussel) Plethobasus cooperianus

Pocketbook, fat Potamilus capax
Pocketbook, finelined Lampsilis altilis

Pocketbook, shinyrayed Lampsilis subangulata
Pocketbook, speckled Lampsilis streckeri

Riffleshell, tan Epioblasma florentina walkeri (=E. walkeri)

Ring pink (mussel)

Slabshell, Chipola

Spinymussel, Altamaha

Spinymussel, Altamaha

Spinymussel, Altamaha

Spinymussel, Altamaha

Spinymussel, Altamaha

Spinymussel, Tar River Elliptio steinstansana
Stirrupshell Quadrula stapes
Three-ridge, fat (mussel) Amblema neislerii

Wartyback, white (pearlymussel) Plethobasus cicatricosus
Bean, purple Villosa perpurpurea
Clubshell Pleurobema clava

Monkeyface, Appalachian

(pearlymussel) Quadrula sparsa

Rabbitsfoot, rough

Riffleshell, northern

Quadrula cylindrica strigillata

Epioblasma torulosa rangiana

Spinymussel, James Pleurobema collina
Wedgemussel, dwarf Alasmidonta heterodon
Darter, Niangua Etheostoma nianguae
Madtom, Scioto Noturus trautmani
Cavefish, Ozark Amblyopsis rosae
Dace, Laurel Chrosomus saylori

Sculpin, pygmy Cottus paulus (=pygmaeus)

Shiner, blue Cyprinella caerulea
Chub, spotfin Erimonax monachus
Chub, slender Erimystax cahni

Darter, slackwater Etheostoma boschungi Darter, vermilion Etheostoma chermocki Darter, relict Etheostoma chienense Darter, Etowah Etheostoma etowahae Darter, yellowcheek Etheostoma moorei Darter, watercress Etheostoma nuchale Darter, Okaloosa Etheostoma okaloosae Darter, duskytail Etheostoma percnurum Darter, rush Etheostoma phytophilum Darter, bayou Etheostoma rubrum Darter, Cherokee Etheostoma scotti Darter, bluemask (=jewel) Etheostoma sp. Darter, Cumberland Etheostoma susanae Darter, boulder Etheostoma wapiti Menidia extensa Silverside, Waccamaw Shiner, palezone Notropis albizonatus Shiner, Cahaba Notropis cahabae Shiner, Cape Fear Notropis mekistocholas

Madtom, smoky Noturus baileyi Madtom, chucky Noturus crypticus Madtom, yellowfin *Noturus flavipinnis* Noturus stanauli Madtom, pygmy Darter, amber Percina antesella Darter, goldline Percina aurolineata Percina jenkinsi Logperch, Conasauga Darter, snail Percina tanasi

Dace, blackside Phoxinus cumberlandensis
Sturgeon, Alabama Scaphirhynchus suttkusi
Cavefish, Alabama Speoplatyrhinus poulsoni
Darter, Maryland Etheostoma sellare

Logperch, Roanoke Percina rex

Shiner, Topeka (=tristis)

Madtom, Neosho Noturus placidus

Activities are proposed throughout the range of the species which includes the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The purpose of the proposed activities is to conserve and enhance the survival of the species in the wild through population monitoring, habitat assessments, and determination of presence/absence of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98111A

Applicant: Ohio Department of Transportation, Columbus, OH.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release/relocate) the following mussel species throughout the State of Ohio: clubshell, fanshell, northern riffleshell, pink mucket pearlymussel, purple catspaw, white catspaw, rayed bean, snuffbox, sheepnose and rabbitsfoot. Proposed activities are for the purpose of conservation and recovery of the species in the wild through project planning and habitat evaluation.

Permit Application Number: TE15027A

Applicant: Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., Columbus, OH.

The applicant requests a permit renewal and amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE212440

Applicant: John Chenger, Bat Conservation and Management, Carlisle, PA.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan,

Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina,

Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West

Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of

survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE113009

Applicant: Steven Ahlstedt, Norris, TN.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to include the following mussel

species: Littlewing pearly mussel, Fluted kidneyshell (*Ptychobranchus subbtentum*),

Cumberland bean, Cumberland Combshell, and Tan Riffleshell. The proposed

amendment includes expanding the geographic area in which the applicant may work to

include locations within Kentucky. Proposed activities are for the recovery and

enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98294A

Applicant: Normandeau Associates, Stowe, PA.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats

throughout the State of Ohio. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement

of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE212427

Applicant: Ecology and Environment, Inc., Lancaster, NY.

The applicant requests a permit renewal and amendment to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, Virginia big eared bats (Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus), and Ozark big-eared bats throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98295A

Applicant: Dallas Scott Settle, DBA Alliance Consulting, Fayetteville, WV.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, and Virginia big eared bats within the States of Illinois and West Virginia. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE98296A

Applicant: Braden A. Hoffman, DBA Alliance Consulting, Fayetteville, WV.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats throughout the range of the species: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New York, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, South Carolina,

Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE82665A

Applicant: Melody L. Myers-Kinzie, Indianapolis, IN.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add rabbits foot and spectaclecase mussels to the list of mussels on her permit to take (capture and release) mussel species for the purpose of enhancement of survival of the species in the wild. The proposed amendment also includes adding the States of Illinois, Iowa, and Michigan to the scope of the permit.

Permit Application Number: TE98298A

Applicant: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Groveport, OH.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release; salvage dead specimens) mussels within Ohio's streams and rivers. Federally listed species proposed to be included on the permit are: clubshell, fanshell, northern riffleshell, pink mucket pearlymussel, purple catspaw, rabbitsfoot, rayed bean, sheepnose, snuffbox, and white catspaw. Proposed activities are for the conservation and recovery of the species through evaluation and protection of habitats.

Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive

are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the

address shown in the ADDRESSES section. Before including your address, phone

number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you

should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying

information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your

comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we

cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: March 7, 2013.

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